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\$23,970,387.
I—Authorized Capital \$2,000,000.
Subscribed Capital \$2,450,000.
Paid-up Capital \$2,450,000.
II—Reserve Funds—\$2,337,847.
III—Life & Annuity Funds—\$1,867,590.
Sinking Fund Account—\$23,230.
Revenue Fire Branch—\$2,381,456.
Life and Annuity—\$1,411,593.
Branches—\$37,239.
Revenue Marine Department—\$37,239.
Other Receipts—\$75,940.
\$25,539,228.
The Accumulative Funds of the various
Branches are separately invested, and, by
Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet
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7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
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10.00 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
10.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
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Season and punch tickets available for
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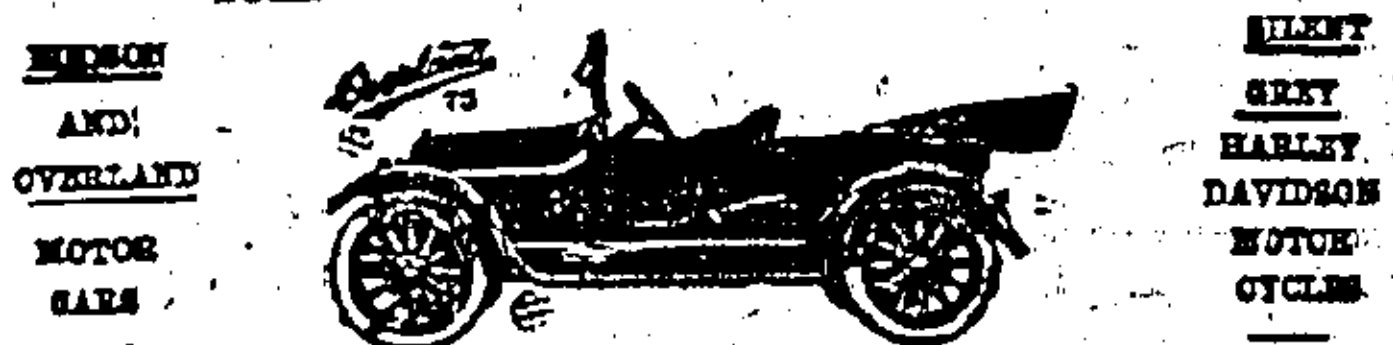
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

STILL ANOTHER AIR-RAID. BOMBS DROPPED ON LONDON.

London, Feb. 19,
2.55 a.m.
The Press Bureau announces that
hostile aeroplanes crossed the Thames
Estuary at ten o'clock, this evening,
and proceeded to London.
Some bombs were dropped on
London and the raid is still in
progress.

LAST SATURDAY'S RAID.

OFFICIAL DETAILS.

London, Feb. 17.
It is officially announced that six
aeroplanes approached the mouth of
the Thames at 9.45 last night and
carried out an attack on London.
All were turned back except one
which penetrated the Capital and
dropped a bomb in the south-west
district, at ten o'clock, demolishing
a house and burying an invalided
officer, his wife and two children.
The raider had previously dropped
other bombs on the eastern outskirts
of London.

The casualties and damage are not
serious.

An attack on Dover at 10.45 p.m.
was driven off. Bombs were dropped
in the open country.

ENEMY MACHINE BROUGHT DOWN.

Several pilots engaged a large
enemy machine which crashed into
the sea.
The damage and casualties are
apparently light.

THE GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message states:
Our aviators, last night, bombed
London, Dover and Dunkirk and the
fighting forces on the north coast of
France.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

ACTIVITY ON BRITISH FRONT.

London, Feb. 18.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—

The enemy raided a post, this
morning, to the west of La Bassée.
Three British are missing.
We repulsed raiders at Poelcapelle.

There was hostile artillery activity
on the St. Quentin, Lens and Arras
sectors and also to the north
of Ypres.

Our aeroplanes, yesterday, bombed
and machine-gunned billets, railway
stations and troops. We dropped
over five-and-a-half tons of bombs on
different targets. Fourteen hostile
machines were brought down and
seven were driven down. The anti-
aircraft guns shot down two machines,
one being a large bombing plane, and
the four occupants were taken pri-
soners and also those of another
machine, which was driven down out
of control near one of our aerodromes.
Five of our machines are missing.

Last night we dropped 400 bombs
on an aerodrome in the neighbour-
hood of Ghent and on Tournai and
Laon. We also bombed, from a low
height, Comblains railway station and
sidings. Bombs were observed at
the latter place. All our machines
returned.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—
Our patrols took a few prisoners to
the north-east of Hazebrouck.

There was hostile artillery activity
in the neighbourhood of Pesschenda-
ele.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON FRENCH FRONT.

London, Feb. 17.

A French communiqué states:—
There was fairly considerable re-
ciprocated artillery activity during the
night, in the region of Chavignost,
east of Rheims and in Champagne.

An enemy surprise attack to the
east of Aubert, achieved no result.

GENERAL SIR WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

RESIGNED OR DISMISSED?

London, Feb. 17.

The *Sunday Times* and the
National News state that they have
been informed by General Sir W.
Robertson that he has not resigned.

General Robertson told a *Sunday*
Times reporter yesterday evening
that "It is quite true that I will
not accept either position."

The political correspondent of the
Sunday Times says that General
Robertson considers that he was dis-
missed. The Correspondent adds
that the succession to him was
offered and declined by General Sir
Herbert Plumer, before it was given
to Lieut.-General Sir Henry Wilson,
and that it is anticipated that other
officers will follow General Sir W.
Robertson in retirement, but it is
not expected that the defection of
the Generals will wreck the Govern-
ment because there is no great sym-
pathy in the House of Commons
towards the attitude of the soldiers.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM ACT.

EDITOR FINED AND EX-M.P. SENT TO PRISON.

London, Feb. 17.

Mr. West F. De Ward Fenton,
Editor of the *World*, has been fined
£100 for publishing an article in
which he referred to Colonel Rymington's
article in the *Morning Post*,
and also for publishing the confidential
wanting to newspapers with
regard to the Versailles Conference.

Mr. Arnold Lupton, formerly a
Member of Parliament, has been
sentenced to six months' imprison-
ment for circulating a pacifist leaflet,
and the printer of the leaflet has been
fined £50.

THE PREMIER AT WORK THROUGH INDISPOSED.

London, Feb. 17.

Mr. Lloyd George, though indis-
posed, is working incessantly. He
went into the country on Friday but
was recalled yesterday on urgent
business.

LABOUR'S WAR.

AN AMERICAN LABOUR DECLARATION.

Washington, Feb. 18.

The American Federation of
Labour has adopted the declaration
that this is Labour's war which
Labour must win and every State
fighting for final victory must count
for humanity.

The Federation urges the Russian
workers to make common cause with
the workers of America, Great
Britain, France and Italy.

THE RESULT OF HEATLESS DAYS IN AMERICA.

New York, Feb. 17.

Mr. Garfield, the Fuel Administra-
tor, states that owing to the five-day
industrial suspension in January and
the subsequent heatless Mondays,
only a normal number of ships are
now in American ports. The flow of
supplies to the expeditionary force
and to the Allies has been re-
established and the railways have
been cleared for the shipment of
essential war materials.

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A FORTY YEARS' TEST.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Office
of Messrs. J. H. TAGGART, Man-
agers, Limited, on THURSDAY, the
21st February, 1918, at Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors and the Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December, 1917.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, 11th February to THURSDAY,
21st February, 1918, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1918. 103

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS
in this Corporation will be held at the
City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,
the 23rd day of February, 1918, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Court of Directors together with
a Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1917.
The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Corporation will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, the 11th February to
SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1918,
(both days inclusive), during which
period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1918. 106

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

NOTICE.

ON AND AFTER 16th February, 1918,
the hours of business of the Hongkong
Savings Bank will be 10 A.M. to 12 Noon
except Saturdays.
The Savings Bank will not be open for
business on SATURDAYS and on after
16th February, 1918.

For the Hongkong & Shanghai

BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 7, 1918. 113

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN &
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Office of
Messrs. J. H. TAGGART, Man-
agers, Limited, on THURSDAY, the
21st February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M., for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts
and the Report of the General Manager
for the year ending 31st December, 1917
and electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
WEDNESDAY, the 20th February, 1918,
until THURSDAY, the 21st February,
1918, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1918. 138

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Company's Hotel
on FRIDAY, the 1st March, 1918, at
12.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving
Statement of Accounts to 31st December,
1917, with the Report of the Directors
and to discuss any matter that may be
competently brought before the Meeting.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from 2nd
February to 1st March, 1918, both days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1918. 140

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
Mr. P. G. LEUNG alias LEUNG
LIM CHO alias LEUNG NGOK is no
longer in our employment, since the
11th instant. Henceforth, all moneys
in payment of debts due to us by any
of our respectable customers should be
handed to the Undersigned and NOT
to the said P. G. LEUNG alias LEUNG
LIM CHO alias LEUNG NGOK who
has no authority to receive same. The
receipts for payments should bear our
proper Cash Receipts, otherwise
they shall not be treated as valid. This
is specially notified so as to prevent any
dispute in future.

Witnessed the 11th day of February, 1918.

WING SUN & CO.,
64 Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1918. 153

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work at \$12.00 per machine

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For particulars apply to the above

address.

Managers, Nov. 7, 1917. 227

INTIMATIONS

THEATRE ROYAL.

SATURDAY, 23rd February.

9.15 p.m. (punctually).

Mr. A. P. STOKES, assisted by members

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the funds of The Mercantile Marine in

England and Naval Prisoners of War.

Hongkong, Feb. 13, 1918. 131

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

SCHOOL WILL RESUME work on

MONDAY, February 25th, at

8.15 A.M.

Students who wish to enter should

call upon the Warden on SATURDAY

MORNING, February 23, at 9.30 A.M.

Hongkong, Feb. 19, 1918. 144

HONGKONG HOTEL.

RACE WEEK.

DINNER DANCES will be held on

the following nights, open to

Residents and Diners in the Hotel:

MONDAY, 25th February,

TUESDAY, 26th February,

WEDNESDAY, 27th February,

and

SATURDAY, 2nd March.

Table d'Hôte Menus will be served as

follows:

GRILL ROOM \$3.50 per head.

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(The Ordinary Grill Room "à la

Carte" Menu will be withdrawn on each

of the above evenings).

The usual bi-weekly Tea Dances

WILL NOT BE HELD on the follow-

ing days:

FRIDAY, 22nd February,

and

TUESDAY, 26th February.

But will be RESUMED on:

FRIDAY, 1st March.

J. H. TAGGART,
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Hongkong, Feb. 19, 1918. 145

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For Alexandria:—10 mufflers, 1 pair
of socks, 22 pillows, 26 vests, 45 bed-
jackets, 24 eye bandages, 2 mosquito
nets, 27 abdominal belts, 4 caps, 7 doz.
handkerchiefs, 37 pairs of pyjamas, 11
shrouds, 4 reversible bedjackets, 2
surgical suits, 6 gauze veils, 17 pairs of
slippers, 12 tray covers, 34 milk covers,
16 head bandages, 24 scrubbers, 2
pairs of bedboots and 1 beret.

For Bombay:—5 pillows, 103 vests,
75 bedjackets, 24 eye bandages, 40
mosquito nets, 41 doz. handkerchiefs,
56 pairs of pyjamas, 15 shrouds, 6
reversible bedjackets, 5 surgical suits,
13 pairs of slippers, 36 tray covers, 12
milk covers, 9 head bandages, 30
scrubbers, 2 pairs of bedboots, 78 shirts,
old linen and playing cards.

"OUR LITTLE BIT SOCIETY" (under
Mrs. Green).
To Hon. Supt. Red Cross Depot,
No. 3 Shed, Alexandria Dock, Bombay:
Case No. 11—805 rolled bandages, 60
fannel vests, 43 white woollen belts, 91
white woollen caps, 30 pairs white
woollen bed socks, 3 quilts, 5 pillows,
60 pairs slippers, 7 floor cloths and 1
lot magazines.

Case No. 12—171 rolled bandages,
150 suits pyjamas and 60 fannel vests.
Case No. 13—720 rolled bandages,
99 fannel vests and 82 suits fannel
pyjamas.

Case No. 14—10 pairs stretcher boots,
40 suits pyjamas, 30 sleeveless sweaters,
50 pairs socks, 52 pairs mittens, 30 milk
covers, 38 woollen mufflers, 64 white
woollen caps, 2 quilts, 2 pillows and 1
lot magazines.

For distribution to local troops:
120 khaki handkerchiefs and 200 wool-
len mufflers.

UNION CHURCH WORK PARTY (under
Mrs. Macdonald).
To Hon. Supt. Medical Officer, Amara,
Mesopotamia:—555 rolled bandages,
35 suits pyjamas, 101 shirts, 14 vests,
156 pairs socks, 69 mufflers, 19 pairs
mittens, 14 helmets, 16 pairs knee caps,
23 wool caps, 7 trench sweaters, 36
milk covers, 101 handkerchiefs, 6 pairs
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NAVAL AND DOCKYARD (under Mrs.
Sandeman):—8 shirts, 13 vests, 4
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Miss Loureiro):—23 pair socks, 6 pair
bed socks, 43 mufflers, 34 knitted
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11 capoline bandages, 600 swabs, 30
shell swabs, 9 shrouds, 15 wool caps, 12
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socks, 5 pairs surgical stockings, 2
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HELENA MAY (under Mrs. Jordan):—
1000 rolled bandages, 5 head bandages,
3 many-tailed bandages, 3 pairs stockings,
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PALE CLUB WAR WORK PARTY
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To Miss Tucker, Soldier and Sailors'
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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

THE HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 25th, 26th and 27th instant—RACE DAYS.

By Order
R. HANCOCK,
Secretary,
Hongkong Stock Exchange.
Hongkong, Feb. 20, 1918. 148

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE FLOWER and VEGETABLE SHOW will be held on the 14th and 15th March, in the City Hall. Intending Exhibitors should send their entries to the Hon. Secretary not later than 25th March. Copies of Rules and Schedules may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

H. B. L. DOWLING,
11, Beaconsfield Arcade,
Hongkong, Feb. 20, 1918. 149

KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY.

(British Section).

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Train with Accommodation for First and Second Class passengers only, will leave Kowloon at 12 Noon for Shun Chum calling at Taiipo and Sheng Shui, on 25th, 26th and 27th instant and also on Saturday, 2nd proximo.

By Order,
H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.
Kowloon, 19th February, 1918. 150

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Victoria Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 8th day of March, 1918, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the subject of Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 20th day of February, 1918, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

"That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following—
(a) That the word "two" be substituted for the word "three" in the definition of "The Board" in Article 2.
(b) That the word "two" be substituted for the word "three" in Article 12.
(c) That the word "one" be substituted for the word "two" in line one and two of Article 76 and that the word "other" shall be substituted for the word "others" and the word "his" for the word "their" in line two of Article 76 and the word "member" be substituted for the word "members" in line three of Article 76.
(d) That the word "Director" be substituted for the word "Directors" in Article 77.
(e) That the word "Director" be substituted for the word "Directors" in line four of Article 79.
(f) That the word "signature" be substituted for the word "signatures" in line 1, 2 and 4 of Article 69 and that the word "one" be substituted for the word "two" and the word "Director" for the word "Directors" in line one of Article 68.
(g) That the words "head of one of the Directors" be substituted for the words "heads of two of the Directors" in line 2 of Article 10."

Dated the 20th day of February, 1918.
By Order of the Board,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.
General Agents for the Company.

there are no duties on exports, while import duties on yarn and cotton goods protect the local industries against foreign competition. In China the policy is to derive what revenue can be levied and to abstain from all other interference. And further on the Report says: "The industry is being killed by taxation." Yet in the same Report we have the statement that "the Japanese are fully aware of what must come and intend to increase the number of their mills in China, from which important results are likely to follow." The one statement is in seeming contradiction to the other, unless the intention is to suggest that the increase of Japanese Mills in China will ultimately lead to sufficient pressure being brought to bear on the Government of China to bring conditions affecting the industry into line with those which obtain in Japan.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The trade balance of the Philippine Islands for 1917 amounts to nearly 60,000,000 pesos.

A Peking telegram to our Chinese contemporary the "Chinese Mail" states that Japanese soldiers have occupied the Chinese Eastern Railway from Chanchow to Hsiping.

The Horticultural Society's Show is to be held in the City Hall on March 14th and 15th. An announcement of interest to intending exhibitors will be found among to-day's advertisements.

The latest Chinese war news includes the capture of I chang by the revolutionaries, and the announcement that operations are in progress by the Government armies for the recapture Yochow.

The Post Office informs us that the importation into the Commonwealth of Australia of tea, other than that grown or produced in British Possessions is prohibited, unless the consent in writing of the Commonwealth Minister for Trade and Customs has been first obtained.

A popular lecture on the "Theory of Animal and Plant Colonization" will be delivered by Mr. A. H. Crook, M.A., F.R.S., at the Helena May Institute on Friday next, the 22nd inst., at 5.30 p.m. Members and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., was held to-day when a resolution was passed amending in certain details the Articles of Association as advertised and now advertised again in the form of a resolution to be submitted for confirmation at an extraordinary General Meeting which is called for March 8th.

HONGKONG SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE.

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

A special general meeting of the Hongkong Society of St. George was held at the City Hall yesterday evening.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak presided, and there were present about thirty of the members of the Society.

The object of the meeting was to put before the members of the Society a resolution amending Rule 5 to enable the addition of five more members to the Committee.

On being put to the meeting, the resolution was unanimously adopted. A ballot was then taken for the election of five additional members to the Committee and the following were elected: Messrs. J. W. Graham, W. A. Dowling, A. G. Coppin, H. W. Lockyer and M. S. Northcote. The meeting then terminated.

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HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

33 QUESTIONS ON THE AGENDA.

A meeting of the Legislative Council is called for to-morrow. The Hon. Mr. Pollock and the Hon. Mr. Holyoak have between them 33 questions on the Agenda, as follows:—

QUESTIONS BY THE HON. MR. P. H. HOLYOAK, K.C.
In view of the steep portions of the Peak Road being dangerous for pedestrians, when in a slippery condition, will the Government take steps to make such steep portions less dangerous by putting ribbing across the road, or, if not, what other steps does the Government propose to adopt in the matter?

In view of the damage done by typhoon to shipping at and near Cheung Chow Island in August last and in view of the recent damage done by fire there, will the Government state what would approximately be the cost of connecting Cheung Chow with the Island of Hongkong—
(a) by wireless;
(b) by other means?

1. Whether the warrant which the Police Officers set forth to execute at No. 6, Gresson Street, on the 22nd January, 1918, was a warrant for the seizure of property stolen by armed robbers, and whether such warrant also covered the seizure of arms and/or ammunition and also whether such warrant was also a warrant for the apprehension of any, and, if so, how many persons and for what offences or suspected offences?

2. Whether it is the fact that the Police Officers, executing such warrant, were unarmed, and, if so, whether there is any Hongkong Police Force Rule or Regulation or instruction upon the subject of search parties of Police going armed? If not will the Government consider the advisability of making a Rule or Regulation enjoining Police, when executing a search warrant, to go armed?

3. Is there any, and, if so, what Regulation in force in the Metropolitan Police Force, London, with reference to Police Officers engaged in search parties going armed?

4. Is His Excellency the Governor, correctly reported as having made the following statements, in the course of his speech at the opening of the Taitam Tuk Reservoir, on the 2nd day of February, 1918:—

"It will surprise some of you people to know the terrible casualties that are inflicted upon the Civil Service of this Colony by a too free use of alcoholic beverages. I wonder how many of you imagine, of the subordinate staff—concerning whom I have absolute figures—who arrive in this Colony, survive to earn their pensions. I wonder, if I were to ask the cause, what the answer would be; well, I can tell you that I am well within the mark when I say that of every two men who arrive here, whether as Policemen, or as Overseers of works such as these, Sanitary Inspectors, Revenue Officers, and so forth, there is not more than one who lives and remains in the service to earn his pension. I might add that the particular cause of the dismissal, loss of health, and even death, of the majority that do not earn their pension, is drink."

5. In connection with the above statements of His Excellency will the Government lay upon the table of this Council statistics for the last 10 years, showing as regards—
(i) Policemen;
(ii) Overseers of Government works;
(iii) Sanitary Inspectors; and
(iv) Revenue Officers, how many in each of above branches of the Service respectively have—
(a) been dismissed owing to drink;
(b) died of drink?

UNCLAIMED "OUR DAY" PRIZES.

The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Hon. Secretary, War Charities Committee, writes:—

"I am directed by the Committee of the "Our Day" (18th October, 1917) Drawing of War Bonds to forward for publication the resolution below:—

"Concerning the two prizes of the value of \$24,000 and \$500 unclaimed under their respective tickets in the Drawing of War Bonds held on "Our Day" last October, it was resolved, if and as long as they continue unclaimed until the 10th October, 1928, that they remain in the custody of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank invested as at present in local Government 6 per cent. War Bonds, or in such other manner as the Bank shall consider most beneficial to either or both of the objects in view on "Our Day," namely the British Red Cross Society, and Imperial War Funds; and that the Bank be authorized to pay such capital and accrued interest to the Society on the said date."

QUESTIONS BY THE HON. MR. P. H. HOLYOAK.
1. Will the Government state what was the strength of the Fire Brigade in pre-war days?

2. What is the present strength of the regular Fire Brigade?

3. How many of them are employed on police patrol and other duties?

4. In what part of the Colony are they stationed and at what hours are they engaged upon these duties, especially during the night?

5. Does the Government consider the "Volunteer" Brigade necessary and of practical value?
6. If so, will the Government arrange for the exemption of all "Volunteer" fire-brigade men—whether in "Defence Corps" or "Police Reserve," from all Military or Police duties, except the annual musketry course?
7. In the event of a fire in an outlying district, such as Shau-ki-wan, what steps are taken to protect the central districts in case of further call?

8. Is it not a fact that the Brigade is seriously understaffed and hopelessly handicapped through lack of efficient gear to deal successfully with a fire in such a building as the Hongkong Hotel or one of the European office buildings in Chater Road or other high buildings?

9. What is the utmost extension of the existing ladder escapes and to what height will they reach when fully extended?
10. Is it not a fact that in the fire in Watson's godown and laboratory the escapes were quite inadequate to reach the top story?

11. Is it not a fact that the Central Fire Station still relies on the prehistoric custom of giving an alarm by a handbell, instead of by electric alarm as is installed in other large towns? Is the latter were installed would it not lead to a quicker turnout?

12. Will the Government state how many members of the European Regular Police Force have been allowed to go home since the outbreak of War in order to join the Army, and whether any of their names were submitted to the "Military Service Commission"?
13. How do the numbers of such European Regular Police Force now on duty in the Colony compare with the numbers on duty here on the 4th of August, 1914?

14. How many members of the European Police Force were allowed to leave the Colony during the year 1917?

15. Is it not the fact that in the year 1918 there was an increase of Burglaries and Larcenies amounting to 362 in number and that such increase was to a considerable extent due to the very large influx of undesirable into the Colony owing to disturbances in the neighbouring Chinese Provinces?

16. Has such influx of undesirables into the Colony continued during the year 1917, and if so, to what extent?
17. What steps are taken to examine boats, launches and trains arriving in the Colony, for diseased and undesirable persons, and what measures are adopted to prevent their landing?

18. In view of the serious depletion of the European Regular Police Force, will the Government take such immediate steps as may be possible during the War to increase the "Force"?
19. Of what date and pattern are the revolvers supplied to the Regular Police Force, and are they not inferior to those used by the Naval Yard Police?

20. What revolvers are issued to the Reserve Police Force and have they received any instruction and practice in use of them?
21. Are the Regular Police given practice in revolver shooting?

22. Has the Government sufficient truncheons at the various stations to arm all the "Reserve Police Force" in case of need?

23. What are the individual amounts of the pensions which the widows and dependents of those murdered in the late "Gresson Street Raid" are entitled to receive from the Government?

24. Will the Government consider the advisability of immediately making a substantial money grant to supplement various local funds being raised to assist them?

THE MAGISTRACY.

AN ASSAULT CASE.

The Chinese were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with assaulting another Chinese, inflicting injuries to the head which necessitated the removal of the complainant to the Government Civil Hospital.
Mr. Wood remanded the defendants until next Wednesday, fixing bail at \$50 each.

EVADING POSTAL DUES.

An old Chinese was charged in Mr. Dyer Ball's court this morning, with attempting to smuggle unstamped letters into the Colony.
Postal-inspector Watt said that the letters were addressed from Wuchow, and he characterized the offence as a deliberate attempt to smuggle. He knew defendant very well, but could not recollect whether he had been fined before.

Defendant who pleaded guilty said that the offence was not committed intentionally.
Mr. Dyer Ball fined the defendant \$25.

CONSPIRACY TO SEND AN INNOCENT MAN TO GAOL.

A Chinese pleaded not guilty when charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning with the theft of lead-piping from a steamer in the harbour.
The stevedores of the steamer said that his attention was drawn to the defendant who was carrying a piece of lead-piping. He questioned the defendant and the latter pointed out the second hold of the ship as the place from where he stole the piping.

After further evidence Mr. Wood said it was his opinion that the lead had been stolen by some one else and that the witnesses conspired to get the defendant into gaol.
Defendant was discharged.

CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER IN HONGKONG.

77 CASES.

The Return issued by the Medical Officer of Health for the week ended February 10th shows 51 cases of Cerebro-Spinal Fever, with 25 deaths. All except one were Chinese cases, the single exception being an Indian. Forty six of the cases occurred in the city of Victoria, and five in districts outside the city.

The other communicable disease in the Colony consisted of 7 cases of diphtheria, five being fatal; and 8 cases of enteric fever (8 fatal). Of the enteric cases 1 was Japanese, 3 British and 4 Chinese.

At the fortnightly Meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday afternoon, Dr. Gale, the medical Officer of Health, gave the total number of cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis as having been 77 in all. These were divided as follows: District No. 4, 11 cases; No. 5, 11 cases; No. 6, 11 cases; No. 9, 9 cases; No. 8, 8 cases; No. 2, 6 cases; No. 3, 4 cases; No. 7, 2 cases; No. 1, no cases. Total 62 for Victoria, plus 9 cases in Kowloon, 2 in the Harbour District, 2 no fixed abode, 1 Aberdeen, 1 Shanikwan. Grand total 77. There have been 38 deaths out of the 77 cases: of these 8 were imported. Most of the latter sufferers arrived either sick or diseased and died within a few hours of arrival.

The Chairman said the measures they were taking were disinfecting and sending the cases to the hospital. They were carrying out more house cleaning than usual, especially the cleaning of buildings in which cases had occurred. They were also having steam atomizers constructed by the Kowloon Dock. The first would be ready to day (Wednesday) and it proved satisfactory they could have six in another two days to do to carry out the work of disinfection more efficiently.

The Hon. Mr. CHATHAM asked if the outbreak was confined to Chinese children.
The CHAIRMAN replied that there were no children affected. There seemed to be an idea that it was an infant's disease, whereas the incidence was usually between 15 and 25 years. Very few children were affected.

The Hon. Mr. CHATHAM asked if all the cases were Chinese.
The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH replied that there was one Indian case.

Replying to Mr. Chas. Kai-ming the Medical Officer said the disease was on the increase.
The Hon. Mr. CHATHAM asked if anything could be done with regard to contacts.

The Chairman replied that the steam atomizers were being procured for that purpose.

TICKLING IN THE THROAT.

TYPHEN, the slightest tickling or hoarseness in the throat may be the forerunner of a dangerous illness. Stop it at once with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

TRAINING NOTES.

THIS MORNING'S TIMES.

As stated in our last report, the hard work of the training is now over and the work done by the police this morning was mostly in the nature of try-outs, the work consisting mostly of short gallops. There was a fairly good attendance at the course this morning, including a few ladies. The weather was mild though a bit hazy. The sky was cloudy and there was no wind to affect the going.

Below we give the times "clocked" this morning:—

DERBY GRIFFINS.

BASTIAN DAHLIA, 11 miles, 35, 33.2, 34.1, 35.2, 37.9, 34.4; full time 3.29.2.
CONQUEST DAHLIA (Vida up), 11 miles, 35, 33.2, 34.1, 35.2, 37.9, 34.4; full time 3.29.2.
GRISTLE CAT, 1 mile, 37, 35, 31.3; full time 1.11.3.

MODERST DAHLIA (Vida up), 1 mile, 35, 36, 34, 31.2; full time 1.10.2.
PRINCE CAT, 1 mile, 38.3, 33.1, 33.1, 32.2; full time 1.17.1.
SIAMER CAT, 1 mile, 35, 34.2, 31.1; full time 1.40.8.

UNIQUE DAHLIA, 1 mile, 35, 36.1, 34.8, 32.2; full time 2.15.1.
WILD CAT, 1 mile, 37, 35, 31; full time 1.43.

XMAS DAY, 11 miles, 35, 35, 33.3, 34.4, 33.3; full time 2.52.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.

BLACK CAT, 1 mile, 35.4, 32.4, 31.3; full time 1.38.1.
BUSTER, 1 mile, 30.
CAMOUFLAGE, 11 miles, 41, 40, 39.4, 38, 34; full time 3.10.4.

KINGWAY, 1 mile, 35, 34.1, 33.4, 34.1; full time 2.17.
KING TOM, 1 mile, 29.
SAMAND (Vida up), 11 miles, 43, 41.3, 33.2, 35.2, 37.3; full time 3.09.

SECOND VIOLEN, 11 miles, 40, 35.2, 35, 34.8, 35; full time 2.59.
SUNRISE DAHLIA, 1 mile, 34.2, 32.3, 32.4; full time 1.39.4.

SUNSTAR DAHLIA, 1 mile, 34.2, 32.3, 32.4; full time 1.39.4.
TEMPERAN, 1 mile, 35, 34.1, 33.4, 33; full time 2.19.

WALLER, 1 mile, last three-quarter, 34.3, 34.3, 33.4; full time 1.42.
WHITE CAT, 1 mile, 38, 36.1, 31.4; full time 1.46.

OLD PONIES.

ADVENTURE, 11 miles, 35, 35, 36, 34, 33; full time 2.53.
ATTRACTION DAHLIA, 11 miles, 35.3, 36, 36.2, 34, 31.3; full time 2.53.8.

AUSTRALIAN CHIEF, 1 mile (inside), 38, 38, 38, 38; full time 2.22.9.
CONQUEST DAHLIA, 1 mile, 33, 34.1, 33.4; full time 1.41.

DANDY DAHLIA, 1 mile, 34, 35.4, 35, 32; full time 2.16.4.
FAIRLIGHT, 1 mile, last half-mile, 34, 32.1.

FLIGHTFIELD, 1 mile, 40, 38, 38, 33.1; full time 2.29.1.
TITTEMOUSE, 11 miles, 38, 34, 37, 35, 36; full time 2.58.

WINDSON DAHLIA, 1 mile, 34.1, 35, 33.4, 31.4; full time 2.14.4.
XMAS LIGHT, 1 mile, last half-mile, 34, 32.1.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

TO OPEN NEXT MONDAY.

Harmston's Circus is to open in Hongkong next Monday night at 8.15, on the spacious site behind the French Convent block of buildings at Causeway Bay. Special tram cars will run before and after the night performances to within two minutes' walk of the circus. The attractions of this well known circus are advertised in an advertisement appearing in another column, and we are assured that the circus and manager are bigger, better and brighter than ever.

Matinee performances are announced for Wednesday and Saturday afternoons when children will be admitted at half-price to all parts of the circus.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

The report for presentation to the shareholders is as follows:—
Annexed we have the pleasure to lay before the shareholders a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The gross earnings for the past year amount to \$185,291.74, and there remains a sum of \$124,649.75 at credit of Profit and Loss Account which it is recommended be appropriated as follows:—

To place to Reserve Fund \$35,000.00
To pay a Dividend of 7% or 70 cents per share.....\$37,500.00
To carry forward to the credit of next year's account.....\$52,149.75

Consulting Committee—In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs S. H. Dowling, H. F. White and T. F. O. O'Neil, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors—The accounts have been audited by Messrs C. H. Mainland and H. Percy Smith, who are eligible for reappointment.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers
Hongkong, 18th February, 1918.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE ENEMY'S "BREAD PEACE."

GROWING DISAPPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 17. The Austrian and German transports over the so-called "bread peace" with Ukraine are fast diminishing through the unconcealed hostility of the Poles of all parties, including the Austrian and German partisans, to the alienation of Chorn and especially the attitude of the Bolsheviks towards Ukraine.

The Rada has already taken refuge at Zhitomir to escape the power of the Bolsheviks who continue to increase in numbers and strength and threaten to overrun Ukraine, and certainly will not permit the export of grain on which the Austrians and Germans are confidently reckoning. The Germans are now confronted with the prospect of fighting the Bolsheviks who are believed to be collecting a big army.

Germany is much perturbed at the capture at Reval of Germans and pro-German Estonians, whom the Bolsheviks regard as hostages and have already threatened their massacre, and Germany is now threatening reprisals.

Austria has intimated that she will not employ troops against Russia, which is no longer her neighbour, but is ready to assist Germany with technical material.

CHAOS IN PETROGRAD.

INDISCRIMINATE SHOOTING, PILLAGING AND LYNCHING.

LONDON, Feb. 17. There have been no telegrams from Petrograd since February 6, until to-day when messages dated February 7 and February 8 arrived. These reveal a most chaotic situation in Petrograd itself where indiscriminate shooting in the streets, pillaging and lynching by desperadoes have been prevalent.

It transpires that an officers' conspiracy to capture Lenin and to hold him as a hostage was discovered.

The Bolsheviks claim to have captured the town of Simferopol in Crimea, after routing the Tartars. They also claim to have defeated the Ukrainians at Nikolai. On the other hand, it is reported that General Alexieff has defeated the Bolsheviks near Veronezh, while the Ukrainians claim to be gaining the upper hand at Kieff.

RUSSO-GERMAN ARMISTICE.

RENOUNCED BY GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 17. Germany announces that owing to the conduct of the Petrograd Government, the armistice was regarded as renounced on February 10. Accordingly, after the lapse of the week's notice of the termination of the armistice provided under the treaty, Germany reserves the right to a free hand in every direction.

M. TROTSKY ASKS GERMANY FOR "INFORMATION."

LONDON, Feb. 17. A Russian official message states that M. Trotsky has asked the German Government for information concerning the message from General Hoffmann and General Samoilin, in which they state that war will be resumed on Monday at mid-day.

M. Trotsky claims seven days' notice before the resumption of hostilities.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION AT LEMBERG.

GENERAL STRIKE TO BE ORGANISED.

ZURICH, Feb. 18. A telegram from Lemberg states that a great demonstration on February 14, was attended by the united Polish parties and it was decided to organise a general strike of all public offices, institutions, schools and factories as a protest against the new Ukraine frontier.

A MASSACRE AT POTSHERSK.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 18. A belated telegram from Kieff states that the White Guards are with the Junkers. After defeating the Red Guards at Potshersk, the former massacred 1,500 workmen and also all the members of the Revolutionary Military Committee.

SANGUINARY FIGHTING.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 18. A message from Rovaya Viedomosti states that the White Guards have occupied Tammerfors after twelve hours' sanguinary fighting.

RUMANIA AND THE CENTRAL POWERS.

REPORTED INTENTION TO NEGOTIATE.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 17. The *Handelsblad* learns from Vienna that Rumania intends to negotiate with the Central Powers, provided the latter give a previous assurance not to assail the sovereignty of Rumania and to leave the solution of the dynastic question to the Rumanians themselves. Rumania will then declare her readiness to cede the Dobruja to Bulgaria, provided the Central Powers benevolently support Rumania in the question of Bessarabia.

The Averescu Cabinet has not yet been formed, but it is stated that the first point of the Averescu programme is peace by agreement with the Central Powers.

RUMANIAN DELEGATES AT PETROGRAD.

LONDON, Feb. 18. A Russian wireless message states that delegates from the Rumanian General Staff have arrived at Petrograd with a proposal for an armistice with an object of considering peace conditions.

The proposal has been agreed to, subject to the suspension of attack during the armistice.

The message admits that the credentials of the Rumanian delegates are doubtful.

THE GERMAN ULTIMATUM.

TIME EXTENDED.

BASEL, Feb. 17. Germany has extended to February 22 the period given to Rumania to reply to the ultimatum demanding peace negotiations.

JAPANESE POLITICS.

NO CONFIDENCE MOTION DEFEATED.

TOKIO, Feb. 17. In the House of Representatives, an opposition motion of no confidence in the Government was defeated by 241 votes to 117.

PLAQUE IN NORTH CHINA SPREADING.

ENORMOUS MORTALITY.

PEKING, Feb. 17. A telegram states that the plague is spreading and has appeared near Pootungfu, threatening Peking and Tientsin.

The mortality is enormous.

MANILA AND THE "HONGKONG EARTHQUAKE."

The *Callan American* of Manila on receipt of a Hongkong cable reporting the earthquake, said: "At the Manila observatory an earthquake shock was recorded yesterday, but its intensity and location had not been determined at a late hour."

On the following on the subject: "The Hongkong earthquake was registered by the Manila Observatory seismographs on Feb. 13 from 1.09 p.m. to 4.20 p.m. The record seems to show a strong and extensive earthquake the origin of which is probably to be located in the Asiatic continent 1,230 kilometres away from Manila. The opinion of the Weather Bureau is that it originated in the Hainan district, north of which an extensive earthquake occurred last year on January 24."

Coming from the same distance but showing remarkably less intensity, three after-shocks were recorded by the Observatory instruments, one at 4.30 p.m. on February 13 and two at 4.23 and 4.05 a.m. on February 14."

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

WHY SIR W. ROBERTSON RESIGNED.

LONDON, Feb. 16. The Press Bureau announces that the extension of the functions of the Permanent Military Representative decided on at the last meeting of the War Council at Versailles necessitated the limitation of the special powers hitherto exercised by the Chief of the Imperial General Staff. The Government therefore thought it right to offer General Sir William Robertson a choice of becoming the British Military Representative on the War Council at Versailles or continuing to be Chief of the General Staff under the new conditions.

Sir William Robertson, for reasons which the Prime Minister will explain in the House of Commons early next week, was unable to accept either position, and the Government regretfully accepted his resignation.

General Sir Henry Wilson has accepted the position of Chief of the General Staff, and the appointment of the British Representative at Versailles will be announced shortly.

NAVAL AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Feb. 17. The Admiralty reports that aircraft dropped many bombs on a dump at Zwedwege on Saturday.

A fire was started in the centre of the objective.

All the machines returned.

BRITAIN AND RELIGIOUS TROUBLES.

GERMAN LIES EXPOSED.

LONDON, Feb. 16. A correspondent of the *Morning Post* says:—As German agents in Moslem countries for many years have mendaciously accused Great Britain of robbery of religious trusts he has collected evidence through Zeki Pasha, Minister of War, who allowed him to examine the ministerial records at Cairo. This evidence showed not only a widening area of reform in estate management, but the increased material advantages now enjoyed by ten thousand officials of all grades engaged in religious duties. The correspondent quotes figures proving this and absolutely contradicting the German lies maliciously circulated in Turkey, Persia and the Red Sea littoral.

RECURRENCE OF ARMENIAN ATROCITIES EXPECTED.

LONDON, Feb. 17. A recurrence of the Armenian atrocities is expected.

The German newspapers have recently printed official Turkish communications resembling those preceding earlier massacres and accusing armed Armenian bands of committing atrocities on Ottoman inhabitants.

Talat Pasha, interviewed by the *Vossische Zeitung*, says the Russian troops are beginning to leave the Caucasus.

A Turkish Armenian telegram to Constantinople speaks of the resistance by bands of Armenians in Erzingan and the adjoining villages being broken by Kurds, who are cleaning the Armenians out.

STRIKES IN LEMBERG AND WARSAW.

GERMAN PEACE WITH UKRAINE ENDANGERED.

LONDON, Feb. 17. German papers report the outbreak of strikes at Warsaw and Lemberg.

German troops are patrolling Warsaw to prevent demonstrations against the Ukraine peace.

The *Colony Gazette* says: "Our broad peace with Ukraine is endangered. Fighting with the Bolsheviks and the Rada has already compelled the latter to move to Zhitomir, and the suburbs of Kieff are already in the hands of the Bolsheviks, who are rushing up troops."

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Feb. 16. Silver is quoted at 42½. There is an absence of business.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

FEAST OF THE CROSS.

The annual festival of the Cross takes place in this Colony on the 2nd Sunday in Lent, the 24th instant in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

In the morning there will be High Mass at 8 o'clock by the Rev. Rector of the Cathedral. The Choirs of St. Confraternity of *Societas dei* *Pavani* will be present at the Chancel. The main altar will be draped in purple with no floral ornaments and all available Clergy will occupy the Sanctuary.

LABOUR PAST AND PRESENT.

LECTURE BY COL. JOHN WARD, M.P.

An audience of about 250 attended the City Hall last evening to hear Col. John Ward M.P., lecturer on "Labour Past and Present." The lecture was given under the auspices of the Cathedral Branch of the Church of England Men's Society.

The Rev. COPLEY MOYLE presided and amongst those present were Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., Mr. Justice Gompertz, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C., the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., the Hon. Mr. E. H. Holyoak, Professor Middleton Smith, Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. D. Landale, Mr. A. H. Harris and Mr. E. V. D. Parr.

In introducing the lecturer, the Rev. Copley Moyle said that the meeting was held under the auspices of the Church of England Men's Society and he would just like to say a few words of explanation of what that Society is. It was a Society which stood for a number of services. It emphasises the fact that partnership in the Church ought to involve service. There had been a tendency to regard the Church as a Society for individuals to save souls. The principle was that every member of the Church ought to do something in the service of Christ in the world. It implied co-operation and not competition. In this Colony there seemed to be some danger that they might follow on the lines as at home and bring about just the same trouble between Capital and Labour. It was as well to try to learn how fight this difficulty. Probably it would be very difficult here by the fact that Labour and Capital were of different races. They were very happy in having their Col. John Ward, who was one of the most far seeing and one of the most apt speakers on the labour question.

Colonel Ward said he grasped the opportunity with pleasure of stating, at least, as far as he could, historically the course of the Labour movement as far as it affected his own countrymen, but the problem was so universal especially as far as Western civilisation was concerned, that when one justified the movement in his own country he would justify it all over the world. They were apt to look casually upon the movement in Oriental countries and their changes were sometimes very sudden and sometimes, course, the suddenness was due to violence, but where changes of life and methods were orderly he ventured to say that there were great changes in the views of life and men's attitude in their community one to another as in any other part of the world; during the last 50 or 60 years. The speaker then went into the history of the Labour movement from its inception, pointing out that up to 1871 the Trades Union had no legal status. One hundred years ago it was a criminal offence for two men to combine to raise wages. The last batch of trade unionists sent from England to Australia, being transported for life for having combined to increase wages, did not embark from England until 1824. So they saw that 100 years ago or less this wonderful movement had no legal recognition. They could not hold funds for benefit, they were just able to exist. In 1860 the first Trade Union met. It was very significant that of the five subjects that were debated at that conference that one of the first was Employers' Liability. The second was the abolition of Truck; the third, the demand for public education of workmen's children; the fourth, reform of the franchise and the payment of members of Parliament; and fifth, the right of combination. The Employers' Liability Act became law in about 1880 or 1883. The speaker then dealt with the various Acts of Parliament in connection with Trade Unions and showed how judge-made law had obstructed the Labour movement. For instance, although the first clause of the Trade Union Act provided that no Trade Union could sue or be sued, and this was upheld by the courts for 40 years, yet in 1702, when the great Taff Vale strike and the railway strikes of the same year dislocated the industry of Britain, the Taff Vale Company brought an action to recover damages against the Union and they were awarded £50,000 by Mr. Justice Farwell. As an illustration of the whole fabric of Trade Unionism was brought to the ground, and this in spite of the fact that for 40 years the Union could not sue or be sued. The men then held a conference which eventually led them to so organise themselves. Tory or Liberal stood a chance in a constituency unless he pledged himself to reverse the law. Funds were collected and the movement took on an intensely political aspect.

But that was not the making of the Trade Union. It was the legal attitude that compelled the working man to take up a legal fight. He did not say for one moment that this decision was good or arrived at out of goodness. He could not give them a better idea of his views of the doctrine than by making the following statement: "If it were a question between man and man, I would submit my life to the decision of a Court of law in England, but if it were a question of class hatred and class prejudice, then no, most decidedly not." (Applause.)

The working man was not hostile to the State. They had splendid evidence recently that when the State was in danger the working man was just as determined as anyone to defend it, and any other class in the community. He would not say that the Trade Unions had always done just the right thing. It would be possible for some in his audience to make out a very strong case on some particular instance against the Trade Unions and the policy of the Labour party. They could not, however, take isolated cases. It was the general trend of the movement. They had to take into account the position of the working people of the country. The stability of the country, itself was better today than it was at any period of its previous history. But the trend of the Capitalist methods was to get all the work they could out of the working man and pay him a wage on which he was only just able to subsist. He had seen men going home from work feeling just as if they were tipsy, owing to overwork, and those men were paid no more than a living wage and the capitalists did all they could to obstruct any Labour movement. They had no consideration for those who worked for them. The speaker concluded by saying that they need never fear Democracy or the Trade Unionists. The wage always trying to improve itself and to put forward definite and well thought out projects for the greater stability of the State. (Applause.)

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, D.P.F. (R.).

All ranks, other than those on duty on that day, will parade at Caroline Road, Causeway Bay on Friday next, February 22nd. Fall in in Column of Sections, facing tramway terminus at 5.35 p.m. Uniform, with helmets. Constables will wear moustache caps (not put spikes) with helmets.

Six tramcars will leave Queen's Station Square (opposite Hongkong and Shanghai Bank) at 6.15 p.m. sharp. Members will board these independently and proceed to Causeway Bay.

Tramcars for the return journey will leave Causeway Bay at about 6.45 p.m.

Staff Inspector McEwen and Mackenzie will attend. Others are expected. Mounted members will fall in at 6.15 p.m. sharp. Uniform, with helmets. Constables will wear moustache caps (not put spikes) with helmets.

All ranks are directed as far as possible to keep themselves in touch with the information point at Headquarters Club.

ANNIVERSARY.

The Subscription Dance arranged in connection with the above will take place at the City Hall on Saturday, March 2nd, and Subscription at 7.15 p.m. Tickets for the dance may be applied for to Mr. J. M. Normie, Credit Foncier, right, Prince's Buildings, 100, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Several questions were asked. Mr. JUSTICE GOMPERTZ pointed out that many of the employers had done all they could to improve the conditions of their employees, instancing Mr. Henry Ford of the Ford motor works, a man who had begun life in humble circumstances. He always made it a rule to work his men short hours and he understood that none of his employees received less than \$5 gold a day, which was the equivalent of about £1 and working on that principle Henry Ford had made himself a multi-millionaire. He thought that it was the same all over the world—that the employers recognised that their own and their employees interests were identical and he would like to ask the speaker if he accepted that view, that the interests were identical if properly understood.

Col. Ward said that there were some employers who even made proposals which went further. He understood that while the Trade Unions demanded an eight-hour day, Lord Leverhulme suggested that they should cut off two hours, and make it six, and Lord Leverhulme was one of the largest employers in England. If all employers were like Lord Leverhulme the Trade Unions would cease to exist. But the general rule was for the employer to get as much out of his business as possible and he was not usually very particular how he did it. (Applause.) Until the employing classes and the working classes, recognised, as citizens of the country, that no one man could do as he liked, without injury to another—unless they arrived at that stage they were bound to have the great industrial difficulties that occur today.

The Hon. Mr. CLAUD SEVERN asked, with regard to wages, what about profit-sharing between employer and employee? If that question were put to the capitalists to-day they would say that the working classes must share both the profits and the losses! How can the working man do that on only living wages?

Col. Ward replied that if they were to share in the losses they should have some share in the management. They could not allow the employer to manage the business in his own way, and then, if disaster came, expect the employee to share in the losses.

After other questions and remarks by Sir William Rees Davies, the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, Mr. A. H. Harris, and others, had been asked Mr. Justice Gompertz said that they had heard a very interesting account of the beginnings of the Trade Unions and they would like to hear something of its constructive policy, and he suggested that Col. Ward should speak on this aspect of the Labour movement at a future date.

Col. Ward said he would be pleased to do so if a date could be conveniently arranged. He had been very pleased to speak to an audience such as he had before him then, they were just the class of people he had been fighting all his life.

Professor EARLE then put the suggestion to the meeting as a motion, which was carried unanimously.

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